STATE OF MONTANA JOB VACANCY AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE "External Recruitment"

Position Title: Auditor

Position Number: 58106213 (up to 2 positions available) **Division:** Business & Income Tax Division

Grade/Salary: 5/\$27,949/yr DOQ **Type of Employment:** Permanent/Full Time

Location: Helena Union: Yes

Closing Date: October 5, 2007

The Department of Revenue is looking for an energetic and enthusiastic individual who enjoys the diversity of working in an office environment. To perform successfully as a Auditor, you must be self-motivated with the ability to work independently and as part of a team. You must possess a strong work ethic and a positive attitude, and enjoy working with, and for, the public. The position requires math and computer skills and the ability to communicate effectively and respectfully with the public, as well as with your team of co-workers. The ability to research, understand and apply the laws, rules, policies and procedures that govern the work of the Department of Revenue, as well as, the ability to make sound decisions and be accountable for them, is essential.

Responsible for initiating, preparing, conducting, and finalizing audits of returns for individual, pass-through and withholding tax types. Responsible for the planning, direction and conducting of audits and daily compliance work for Montana's taxes. Performs routine exam reviews or audits of Montana income, pass-through and withholding returns to ensure completeness and accuracy. Solicits, prepares, and/or estimates tax returns and tax liabilities for taxpayers based on information received from the taxpayer, taxpayer's accountant, information agents, governmental agencies or other sources. Monitors compliance programs to insure the use of uniform procedures; and assesses tax, penalty, and interest. These positions could require a minimal amount of travel.

Predominant/Essential Duties

- Business expert for assigned subject matter.
- Represent the department at all levels of the appeals process including negotiation, conflict resolution, and make settlement recommendations.
- Perform more complex audits of individual, pass-through and withholding tax returns
- Identify potential fraudulent tax activity
- Assist tax specialists with the preparation of forms

Requires the ability to provide timely and concise information to others both orally and in writing; proactively focus efforts and energy on successfully attaining goals and objectives; making difficult decisions and persisting even when confronted by obstacles and/or adversity, including assuming accountability for decisions, actions, and results; and to understand and appropriately apply procedures, requirements, regulations, polices and laws related to position. Requires working knowledge of software, Integrated Information Systems, and other pertinent computer and communication technology; effective written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills; and theories and practices of auditing and accounting, including various accounting systems. Also requires thorough knowledge of negotiation and conflict resolution.

Competencies and degree of proficiency are typically acquired through a combination of education and experience equivalent to a bachelor's degree in accounting or four years of accounting, auditing, or tax examining experience. Other combinations of education and experience will be evaluated on an individual basis.

The above competencies are typically acquired through a combination of education and experience equivalent to an Associate Degree in Business or related field with course work in accounting and tax or four year's experience in tax examining or a closely related area. Other combinations of education and experience that could provide these competencies will be evaluated on an individual basis.

The State offers its employees a great benefits package such as three weeks paid vacation, sick leave, full medical, dental and vision coverage along with life and disability insurances! This is a great career opportunity with a deferred compensation program and retirement benefits! The department offers additional training opportunities for all employees!

A typical average compensation package for an average salary of \$30,000/yr is:

 Wages:
 \$30,000.00

 Benefits:
 \$6,684.00

 Retirement:
 \$2,070.00

Total Average Wage Package \$38,754.00

Application Deadline: All application materials must be received by 5:00 PM on the closing date. Application materials may be sent directly to:

Human Resources Department of Revenue

PO Box 1712 Helena, MT 59604

Applications submitted to a Job Service Office must be date stamped by the closing date. If you choose to fax your application, you will need to call to verify all pages are legible. **Late, unsigned or incomplete applications will not be considered**. This job announcement and the Montana State application form can be found on the Internet at www.mt.gov/revenue. Phone: (406) 444-6998.

Accommodations: The State of Montana makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with an applicant's ability to compete in the recruitment and selection process or an employee's ability to perform the essential duties of the job. For the state to consider any such accommodation, the applicant must make known any needed accommodation. (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf – TDD 406-444-2830)

Application materials required for this position are:

- 1. A completed State of Montana Application. State of Montana application forms are now available on the Internet at www.mt.gov/revenue.
- 2. Applicants claiming the Veteran's or Handicapped Person's Employment Preference (see State of Montana Employment Application, PD-25) must provide verification of eligibility with the application materials by the closing date. The required documentation includes a DD-214 or PHHS Certification of Disability form.

Failure to submit completed application materials will result in the application being rejected.

Late applications will also be rejected. Please note: unsolicited information/materials submitted as part of an application will not be passed on to the hiring authority.

Background Check: Applicants will be subject to a criminal background review before being considered for employment. Individual circumstances involving a criminal conviction will be reviewed to determine an applicant's eligibility for employment.

Other Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be in compliance with all appropriate Montana tax laws. Specifically, your tax filings must be current.

Union: These positions are covered by a union contract, which requires the applicants be selected for this position based on qualifications, ability and seniority. The successful applicant(s) will be required to join the bargaining unit and either pay dues or a representation fee.

New Employee Probation Status: For employees new to state government, final confirmation will be made following a six-month performance appraisal/probationary employment period.

Immigration Reform Control Act. In compliance with the immigration Reform Control Act, Public Law 99-603, the successful applicant will be required to provide documentation showing lawful authorization to work in the United States within three days of hire.

Montana Compliance with Military Selective Service Act. In accordance with the Montana Compliance with Military Selective Service Act, the person selected for state employment must produce documentation showing compliance with the Federal Military Selective Service Act. Examples of this documentation include a registration card issued by Selective Service, a letter from Selective Service showing a person was not required to register, or information showing by a preponderance of evidence that a person's failure to register with Selective Service was not done knowingly or willfully.